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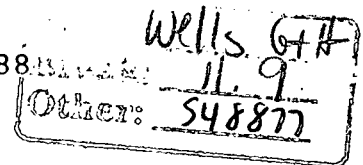
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March 22, 1988



Ms. Barbara Newman  
Region I  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
J.F.K. Federal Building  
Boston, Massachusetts 02203

RE: UniFirst Corporation, Woburn, Massachusetts

Dear Barbara:

Please find enclosed the results for the EPA SW846 Method 8240 analysis performed on the cuttings from UC-22 and shallow bedrock wells (UC15 through UC20). These cuttings have been contained in a sealed roll-off container at the former UniFirst plant in Woburn.

As outlined in our report titled "Summary of Investigation, UniFirst Site, Woburn, Massachusetts" of February 1988, the cuttings from UC15 through UC20 were analyzed upon completion of the shallow bedrock wells. These cuttings contained no detectable concentrations of hazardous substance list volatile organic compounds. The water contained with the cuttings did contain 50 micrograms per liter methylene chloride and 3.8 micrograms per liter benzene (see pg. 2-4 of the report, mid page). The full laboratory report on those samples is contained in Appendix B of the report.

The laboratory data contained herein indicate that no hazardous substance list volatile organic compounds were contained in the cuttings from UC-22. The cuttings from UC-22 were collected in the manner described on pg. 2 of Jeff Lawson's letter of January 7, 1988.

The roll-off container was dewatered by successively pumping off the water into Franklin Pumping Service tanker trucks that were used to transport the discharge water from UC22 during the deeper bedrock aquifer test. The water was manifested and transported to the CECOS facility in Bristol, Connecticut for treatment.

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As stated on pg. 2-4 of the February 1988 report, following the dewatering procedure the cuttings were spread as common fill on the eastern ramp leading up to UC-9 and UC-22. If there are any questions or comments regarding these data please feel free to call 369-8910 or write the letterhead address.

Very truly yours,



Lawrence M. Hogan  
Geologist

LMH/djs/JTL

enclosure

cc: Jeffrey C. Bates, Esquire, (Goodwin, Proctor & Hoar)  
Jeffrey T. Lawson, (ERT)

ERT

ANALYSIS OF 1 SOIL SAMPLE  
FROM  
UNIFIRST  
WOBURN, MA

ERT PROJECT NO. 0005-530  
March 16, 1988

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From: LABORATORY MANAGER  
Date of  
Issuance: 03/16/88  
Subject: SAMPLE RETENTION TERMS  
Client: UNIFIRST, WOBURN  
Date Sample  
Received: 02/25/88  
Number of Samples  
Received/Matrix: 1 Soil

It is the policy of ERT to dispose of unanalyzed portions of samples thirty (30) days following submittal of the pertinent final analytical results report. This letter serves as notification that the above sample will be due for disposal.

Sample extracts for organic analyses will be archived for one (1) year. Separate notification will be sent to you prior to disposal of sample extracts.

A. ERT will return to you all unused samples at your expense (Federal Express), or

B. ERT will maintain custody of the samples at a cost of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per sample per quarter for refrigerated storage, and three dollars (\$3.00) per sample per quarter for ambient storage. You will be billed in advance each quarter based upon the number of samples in storage at the beginning of the quarter. The minimum storage fee per project will be fifty dollars (\$50.00) per quarter to cover administrative costs.

YOU MUST RETURN THIS LETTER TO THE LABORATORY MANAGER WITH PROPER AUTHORIZATION (i.e., Purchase Order Number, Federal Express Number, etc), SAMPLE OPTION, SIGNATURE AND DATE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF ISSUANCE OR THE SAMPLES INDICATED ABOVE WILL BE DISPOSED.

OPTION: \_\_\_\_\_  
AUTHORIZATION  
NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ (Federal Express) \_\_\_\_\_ (Purchase Order)

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYSIS OF SAMPLE  
FROM  
UNIFIRST, WOBURN

INTRODUCTION

This report represents the results of analyses conducted on 1 soil sample received by the ERT Analytical Chemistry Laboratory on February 25, 1988. The sample was to be analyzed for Volatiles (624).

SAMPLE RECEIPT AND CHAIN OF CUSTODY

Routine inspection of the sample revealed it to be packaged properly and received in good condition.

Upon receipt, information from the submitted sample was recorded in the Master Log Book (and the LIMS computer system) and assigned ERT Control Numbers. These unique sample labels were affixed to respective sample containers and subsequently utilized throughout the laboratory analysis procedures for positive traceability.

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES

The soil sample was analyzed according to procedures as outlined in "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Wastes, Physical/Chemical Methods," SW-846, 2nd Edition, revised April, 1984.

QUALITY CONTROL PROCEDURES

Standard quality control procedures were implemented for analyses. Laboratory reagent (method) blanks, laboratory duplicated samples, and laboratory fortified control samples were analyzed concurrently with each case of submitted samples. The laboratory normally prepares and analyzes one (1) blank, one (1) fortified sample, and one (1) duplicate sample for each case of samples received or for each twenty (20) samples, whichever is more frequent. A case consists of a finite, usually predetermined number of samples collected over a given time period from one particular site. Duplicate sample analyses are performed only when sufficient sample volume is received. The results of the analyses are reviewed by the laboratory quality control coordinator to insure compliance with established analytical control limits.

Laboratory prepared method blank samples and fortified samples are identified in the analytical result tables under the Field Identification number using a unique numbering system and also assigning one ERT sample number to each sample. The Prefix "MB" refers to Method Blank, and "LF" refers to Laboratory Fortification (i.e., a quality control recovery sample).

#### RESULTS OF ANALYSIS

Analytical results for the submitted sample are presented in the appended tables. Summary tables for the results of blank, and fortified control samples have also been provided in the Appendix.

#### DISCUSSION

Review of the results of the quality control/quality assurance samples analyzed concurrently with the submitted sample indicated that the analyses were within the acceptance criteria as established by the U.S. EPA.

DATA AND REPORT APPROVAL FORM

SUBMITTED BY:

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March 16, 1988


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Quality Control Coordinator

REPORT APPROVED BY:

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Laboratory Manager

VOLATILE (624) ANALYSES IN SOIL  
SUMMARY OF ANALYTICAL RESULTS  
METHOD BLANK RESULTS  
QUALITY CONTROL CHECK SAMPLE RESULTS



# VOLATILE ORGANICS

## Surrogate Recovery Summary

Client Name: Unifirst, Woburn Project No: 0005-530

Matrix: Solid

Authorized: 02/26/88 Received: 02/26/88

ERT ID	Client ID	Surrogate Compound (%)		
		d <sub>4</sub> -1,2,-Dichloro-ethane	d <sub>8</sub> -Toluene	p-Bromofluoro-benzene
6873-01	53083 / UC-22	99	100	102

QC Advisory Limits:                      70-121%                      61-117%                      74-121%

Reported by Wm Donati Approved by CB lip

VOLATILE ORGANICS

Surrogate Recovery Summary

Client Name: Unifirst, Woburn

Project No: 0005-530

Matrix: Aqueous

Authorized: 02/26/88

Received: 02/26/88

ERT ID	Client ID	Surrogate Compound (%)		
		d <sub>4</sub> -1,2,-Dichloro-ethane	d <sub>6</sub> -Toluene	p-Bromofluoro-benzene
4685B	ERT Procedural Blank - Methanol	100	102	99

QC Advisory Limits:

76-114%

61-110%

74-115%

Reported by Wm Donati

Approved by AD

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## HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIST (HSL) VOLATILE ORGANICS

## EPA Method 8240/HSL List

Client Name: Unifirst, WoburnProject No: 0005-530ERT ID: 53083/UC-22 - Roll off CappingsClient ID: 6873-01Matrix: SolidSampled: 02/25/88Received: 02/26/88Authorized: 02/26/88Prepared: 02/29/88Analyzed: 03/01/88

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Reporting Limit</u>
Chloromethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	150
Bromomethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	150
Vinyl chloride	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	150
Chloroethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	150
Methylene chloride	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	150
Acetone	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	1,500
Carbon disulfide	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
1,1-Dichloroethene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
1,1-Dichloroethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Chloroform	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
1,2-Dichloroethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
2-Butanone	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	300
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Carbon tetrachloride	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Vinyl acetate	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	300
Bromodichloromethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Trichloroethene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Dibromochloromethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Benzene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
2-Chloroethyl vinyl ether	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	300
Bromoform	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	300
2-Hexanone	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	300
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Tetrachloroethene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Toluene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Chlorobenzene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Ethylbenzene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Styrene	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60
Total xylenes	ND	µg/kg (dry wt)	60

Solid content = 86%

ND = Not detected.

Reported by Wm DonatiApproved by JB

## HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIST (HSL) VOLATILE ORGANICS

## EPA Method 624/HSL List

Client Name: Unifirst, WoburnProject No: 0005-530ERT ID: ERT Procedural Blank - MethanolClient ID: 4685BMatrix: AqueousSampled: NAReceived: NAAuthorized: NAPrepared: 02/29/88Analyzed: 02/29/88

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Reporting Limit</u>
Chloromethane	ND	µg/L	130
Bromomethane	ND	µg/L	130
Vinyl chloride	ND	µg/L	130
Chloroethane	ND	µg/L	130
Methylene chloride	ND	µg/L	130
Acetone	ND	µg/L	1,300
Carbon disulfide	ND	µg/L	50
1,1-Dichloroethene	ND	µg/L	50
1,1-Dichloroethane	ND	µg/L	50
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	µg/L	50
Chloroform	ND	µg/L	50
1,2-Dichloroethane	ND	µg/L	50
2-Butanone	ND	µg/L	250
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	µg/L	50
Carbon tetrachloride	ND	µg/L	50
Vinyl acetate	ND	µg/L	250
Bromodichloromethane	ND	µg/L	50
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND	µg/L	50
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	µg/L	50
Trichloroethene	ND	µg/L	50
Dibromochloromethane	ND	µg/L	50
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	µg/L	50
Benzene	ND	µg/L	50
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	µg/L	50
2-Chloroethyl vinyl ether	ND	µg/L	250
Bromoform	ND	µg/L	50
4-Methyl-2-pentanone	ND	µg/L	250
2-Hexanone	ND	µg/L	250
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	µg/L	50
Tetrachloroethene	ND	µg/L	50
Toluene	ND	µg/L	50
Chlorobenzene	ND	µg/L	50
Ethyl benzene	ND	µg/L	50
Styrene	ND	µg/L	50
Total xylenes	ND	µg/L	50

NA = Not applicable.

ND = Not detected.

Reported by Wendy DonatiApproved by CSUp

PRIORITY POLLUTANT VOLATILE ORGANICS

EPA Method 624 + 624/HSL List

QUALITY CONTROL

Client Name: Unifirst, Woburn

Project No: 0005-530

ERT ID: Laboratory Control Spike

Client ID: 4686LCS

Matrix: Aqueous

Prepared: 02/29/88

Analyzed: 02/29/88

Parameter

% Recovery

QC Advisory Limits

1,1-Dichloroethene

73

61 - 145%

Trichloroethene

79

71 - 120%

Benzene

90

76 - 127%

Toluene

89

76 - 125%

Chlorobenzene

88

75 - 130%

Reported by Wm Donat

Approved by

AS Up

PRIORITY POLLUTANT VOLATILE ORGANICS

EPA Method 624 + 624/HSL List

QUALITY CONTROL

Client Name: Unifirst, Woburn

Project No: 0005-530

ERT ID: Laboratory Control Spike Dup.

Client ID: 4703LCSD

Matrix: Aqueous

Prepared: 03/01/88

Analyzed: 03/01/88

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>% Recovery</u>	<u>QC Advisory Limits</u>
1,1-Dichloroethene	67	61 - 145%
Trichloroethene	81	71 - 120%
Benzene	105	76 - 127%
Toluene	94	76 - 125%
Chlorobenzene	93	75 - 130%

Reported by Wm Donat

Approved by OS

Up

CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY RECORD

UNIFIRST

WOBURN, MA

RT

0005-530

SAMPLE RECEIPT CHECK LIST

nt: • UNIFIRST-2-25-88

C Record # (s):

Index	Container	ERT # (s)
AND/SOIL	3 VOA VIAL	53083

Were samples shipped or hand-delivered?

Notes: LARRY HOGAN

Yes ☒ No ☐

Was COC record present upon receipt of samples?

Notes:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Was COC tape present/unbroken on outer package?

Notes:

Were samples received ambient or chilled?

Notes:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Were any samples received broken/leaking (improperly sealed)?

Notes:

Yes ☒ No ☐

Were samples properly preserved?

Notes:

Yes ☒ No ☐

Were COC types present/unbroken on samples?

Notes:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Any discrepancies between sample labels and COC records?

Notes:

Yes ☒ No ☐

Were samples received within holding times?

Notes:

Additional Comments:

STORED IN: B8  
(ENSECO)

Samples inspected and logged in by

Scott Gerade Date: 2-25-88



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